PLATFORM OF THE AMERICAN PARTY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

At a Convention of the American Party, held at Raleigh, on the 19th of October, 1855, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That, as the causes which rendered the secrecy of the American organization necessary in its infancy, no longer exist—all the secret ceremonials of the order whether of initiation, obligations, signs, constitution, rituals, or pass words be abandoned—that we do [illegible] ourselves into a public [illegible] do challenge our opponents to the [illegible] and to the [illegible] of the Union, and to the [illegible] carrying out the [illegible] jects of the American Party.

Resolved, That we [illegible] dorse the principles [illegible] of the American Party [illegible] of the same [illegible] the 5th day of June, [illegible] local policy of the [illegible] same time, we maintain the [illegible] principles of the organization, which constitute the basis of the party, as paramount [illegible] ance to the [illegible] of both Governments.

Resolved, That we [illegible] oppression, that the establishment of [illegible] offices and [illegible] of foreign birth, [illegible] der and [illegible] of the American [illegible] with a [illegible] and at the same time, to the [illegible] and principles [illegible] to by the Constitution, whether Federal or State.

Resolved, That we believe [illegible] and a right [illegible] religious freedom—by reading [illegible] office and power, those who [illegible] principle, for [illegible] sake—who [illegible] of the country through [illegible] foreign influence, and who [illegible] ance to any [illegible] constitution as [illegible] to that which [illegible] to the Constitution.

And, finally, [illegible] United States [illegible] and [illegible] laws and [illegible]

Resolved, That [illegible] the political station [illegible] to the American Party, it is [illegible] in open [illegible] agree with us in [illegible] and [illegible] as members of the American Party.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the American Party in the State to hold a convention of Delegates, to be appointed by the primary meetings of the respective Counties, in Greensboro', on Thursday, the 1st day of April next, for the purpose of nominating a candidate to be run by the American Party for Governor at the next election, and that each County appoint as many Delegates as it elects members to the House of Commons, and that the mode of voting in said Convention be regulated by the Convention itself.

Resolved, That we consider the 22d day of February next—the time heretofore selected by the National Council of the American party for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice President, as too early a day for that purpose—and we do hereby recommend to our brethren of the American Party throughout the Union, the propriety of postponing the holding of said Convention to some time in the months of June or July.

Resolved, However, [illegible] may not be [illegible] to appeal [illegible] to adjust the State at large [illegible] and [illegible] is recommended to the American Party in each Congressional District [illegible] in the respective [illegible] to United States [illegible] gate from each separate District [illegible] nating Convention.

Resolved, That an Executive Committee [illegible] of five, be appointed by this body, whose duty it shall be to attend to the general concerns of the American Party in this State, to carry on the necessary correspondence, to take such incipient steps as may be deemed necessary for the more thorough organization of the said party—and that said Executive Committee be authorized and requested to appoint a County Executive Committee in each County in the State; and that said County Executive Committee do further appoint a sub-committee for each election precinct in the County with a view to a more thorough and complete organization of the American Party in North Carolina.

From the Baltimore Clipper.

Fighting at the Nineteenth Ward Polls in New York.

In relation to the [illegible] proceedings that transpired at the [illegible] of the [illegible] ward [illegible] for a Sheriff, on Tuesday, we have [illegible] versary [illegible] true statement [illegible] in the morning [illegible] members of the [illegible] very [illegible] success of the [illegible] or lawless [illegible] went [illegible] exhibited [illegible] after [illegible] acts as they were [illegible] ments. [illegible] office and [illegible] them as [illegible] drive the [illegible] arrest them [illegible] of the day. [illegible] not [illegible] engine [illegible] a stone [illegible] ing the [illegible] house [illegible] ed on the [illegible] retreat [illegible] we will return [illegible]

A [illegible] tion [illegible] can [illegible] were [illegible] started and [illegible] Democrat [illegible] were [illegible] chased [illegible] The [illegible] ...

[illegible] ...ounds attempted to vote illegally [illegible] ...ay, and were arrested. One of the [illegible] named [illegible] Commissioners, upon coming to the polls and on being asked if he was willing to swear that the [illegible] to vote, drew a [illegible] about eighteen inches long, and swinging it [illegible] said, declared he would [illegible] have of any one who dared dispute his vote.

The police exhibited a degree of bravery [illegible] praise in their efforts to quell the riot, and are deserving of the highest meed of praise from all or [illegible] citizens.

SUDDEN DEATH—FIVE MEN KILLED.

On Thursday last a party of fifteen men, who [illegible] a [illegible] South Delaware Railroad [illegible] Mill town, were proceeding through Ware [illegible] Cedar [illegible] Mr. Hunter's dwelling, [illegible] the Catholic Chapel, when they called at the house of Mr. Jump and procured a supply of beer. On their return from the grave yard they again called for more grog, which Mr. J. declined selling. The man made use of some abusive and threatening language, when Mr. J. ordered him to leave the store, and on his not doing so, Mr. J. put him out. In a short time the ejected man returned with two of his comrades, who commenced using very abusive language, when Mr. Howes, the clerk, threw a two pound weight which struck one of them on the forehead. The party after this left the store, and after proceeding some two or three hundred yards the man had down and died. The party, about thirty in number, then rallied and [illegible] the store, breaking the [illegible] and destroying [illegible] goods. Mr. J. sent [illegible] to some of his neighbors for assistance, and a number of the villagers, armed with clubs, axe handles, bars of iron and stones, soon assembled and attacked the Irish with such impetuosity as to speedily drive them from the premises. In the melee many were wounded, and four so badly that they died that night or the following day, making five deaths in all. None of the villagers were seriously hurt.

Wilmington Republican.

ARREST OF A ROBBER BY A LADY.

A few months since a lady living [illegible] ing to the city went to New York, and [illegible] up at one of the [illegible] hotels. After [illegible] to her room [illegible] and [illegible] on the table, and then sat down to read. While sitting [illegible] she heard something from some one [illegible] to her, but finally concluded it must [illegible] fancy. Soon after she began making [illegible] to retire, and in adjusting her hair [illegible] the gaslight, of her hair pins. While [illegible] took it up to see [illegible] it was a [illegible] and a closer observation revealed to her sight the full length figure of a man. Without uttering any emotion, she quickly threw a shawl over her shoulders, went out of the room, locked the door after her, and [illegible] into the hall, rang a bell which [illegible] to her assistance, who [illegible] the matter, and a [illegible] proceedings, which resulted in the arrest of a [illegible] man, and the [illegible] Upon [illegible] was found on the person [illegible] a [illegible] of [illegible]. He was [illegible] on the [illegible] of the [illegible] to the State [illegible] Six months. The sequel to the whole was in dropping the hair pin.—*New Haven Register.*

A Lucky Incident Stops a Broken Arm.

[illegible] with one of the patients of the [illegible] Asylum, who was fortunate [illegible] a door [illegible] was [illegible] attached to a horse [illegible] that for [illegible] the cries of a young girl who [illegible] fallen and broke [illegible] arm. On entering the door he ascertained [illegible] that the poor unfortunate girl, whose labor was [illegible] for her excellent conduct [illegible] had fallen and broken [illegible] arm. [illegible] Not knowing what [illegible] more prompt way of [illegible] Mr. Parr [illegible] that the poor girl, which [illegible] and [illegible] ...

Carolina Watchman.

SALISBURY, N. C.

TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 30, 1855.

Thanksgiving Day was generally observed by our citizens. The Rev. Mr. Parker, of the Episcopal church, had divine service in the morning.

The meetings held at Thyatira church, last week, resulted in the conversion of about fifty persons. From accounts we have had, it was a most remarkable revival. There were no efforts to produce excitement, beyond the simple presentation of gospel truths. The minds of the people seemed to take hold of them with much seriousness, and yielded most freely to the requirements of the plan of salvation.

From the Greensborough Patriot.

THE WESTERN EXTENSION.

Mr. Editor:

Permit me to say to the last Salisbury Watchman, that the Directors of the Western Extension of the North Carolina Rail Road, cannot agree. Judging from appearances, the Company as now organized, must prove a failure. And even had the Directory been sufficiently imbued with the *spirit of the times* to have harmoniously agreed among themselves, I understand there is much dissatisfaction among the people West of Salisbury in regard to the location of the proposed road. I feel confident that the true friends of Internal Improvement will regret this miserable [illegible] on the part of the Directors. Although the prospects of success look gloomy, let not the Western people despair. It may be possible that this failure, in the end, will prove a blessing in disguise to them and the State at large.

As it is now rendered certain that the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Road will be built by way of Lincolnton, can any true friend of North Carolina regret the failure of the West to [illegible] after hearing that the Directors had [illegible] resolved to locate said Road by way of Newton? Can North Carolina afford to extend West two parallel Roads running within thirteen miles of each other?—can the most sanguine friends of Internal Improvements in the State, have faith in the project to urge that road to such results as that?

Would it not be better for the State to extend the Fayetteville and Western Rail Road by Salem, to Jonesborough, Tennessee, thus connecting us with the Mississippi valley, and all the important cities of the West? By this change in the location of the Western Extension, North Carolina will be the gainer by many millions of dollars, and the public accommodated a thousand times more than by the present plan. I will not enlarge upon this matter at present; but I desire to call public attention to it; especially as I presume the Directory will hardly be disposed to go forward in the prosecution of the work under existing circumstances. In the meantime, it may be well for the taxpayers of the State to investigate the matter thoroughly; and those who favor this change, should stir up and speak out.

WATAUGA.

The writer of the above seems to regard as certain the total failure of the Western North Carolina Rail Road. It is plain enough that the "wish is father to the thought." He might have himself "Wataga," to convey the idea that he was a citizen of the County of that name; and speaks of dissatisfaction among the people of the Western Counties. We conjecture his signature would be more appropriately written *Greenbrier*, and we would notify him that the greatest amount of dissatisfaction among those concerned in the enterprise is not in the counties West of this place; and that that dissatisfaction is upon a single point, and one yet under the control of the Directors. The road, we doubt not, will be built, as it ought to be; and we hope that the wish of the writer referred to is not to be one of those who regard it with feelings of oppression.

We do not know what the writer means when he says, "I feel confident that the true friends of Internal Improvement will regret this miserable *bobble* on the part of the Directors." The word is not in our Webster, and we shall not take the time to search for it elsewhere. We infer from the general tone of the article, however, that the "true friends of Internal Improvement" alluded to here, stand outside of this great enterprise; although we cannot see why they should "regret this miserable *bobble*,"—we suppose it means blunder.

But dropping any further remarks on "Wataga," the Directors and Stockholders of this Company cannot fail to observe the importance of a strict compliance on their part with the terms of the charter by which they are to be governed; nor can they fail to discover that a material departure from those terms will be greatly seized upon by the enemies of this project to embarrass, and if possible, to thwart it entirely. The Charter is a liberal one, and if we keep faith with the State, the State is pledged to keep faith with us, and will do it. Otherwise, the result is difficult.

Some one has said, "It is the gift of poetry to hallow every place in which it moves, to [illegible] and Nature an odor more exquisite than the perfume of the rose, and to shed over it a tint more magical than the flush of morning." But however that may be, we know of [illegible] ...

[illegible] ...ness, [illegible] ...ness, [illegible] ...ness, [